FCC NEPA SUMMARY REPORT

MCF Bolton Site

12 Carpenter Road Bolton, Tolland County Connecticut

BL Project No. 06L0825

Prepared For: MCF Communications, Inc.

On Behalf Of: Clough, Harbour & Associates LLP

Prepared By: **BL Companies**

August 17, 2006

Submitted By:

James R. Kodlick
Manager, Environmental Resources Group

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BL Companies Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

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PART I Project Description

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

MCF Communications, Inc. is proposing to construct a telecommunications tower and associated access road in Tolland County, Connecticut. The site is located at 12 Carpenter Road, which is approximately 800 feet southwest of the Bolton Center Road and Carpenter Road intersection in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut. The proposed site will consist of a 70- by 70-foot fenced compound, within a 100- by 100-foot lease area, containing a 150-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower, and associated equipment. The equipment is to be located within a 15- by 15-foot lease area within the larger 10,000-square-foot lease area, which currently consists of undeveloped woodland. The compound will also include a proposed 12-foot wide by approximately 300-foot long access drive extending from an existing gravel driveway to provide access to the site.

PART II NEPA Checklist And Summary Report

MCF Communications, Inc.

FCC NEPA CHECKLIST
(47 CFR Subpart 1, Chapter 1, Sections 1.1301-1.1319)

Site Name Site Numb	: MCF Bolton Site Site Address: 12 Carpenter Road, Bolton, Connecticut er:		
Category	Special Interest Item	Potential Effect	
		Yes	No
1	Is the antenna structure located in an officially designated wilderness area?		X
2	Is the antenna structure located in an officially designated wildlife preserve?	_	X
3	Will the antenna structure likely affect threatened or endangered species or designated critical habitats? (Ref. 50 CFR Part 402)		
4	Will the antenna structure affect districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, or culture that are listed, or potentially eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)? (Ref. 36CFR Part 800 regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act)		Х
5	Will the antenna structure affect Indian religious site(s)?		X
6	Will the antenna structure be located in a flood plain? (Ref. Executive Order 11988 and 40 CFR Part 6, Appendix A)		
7	Will construction of the antenna structure involve significant change in surface features (e.g. wetlands, deforestation, or water diversion)? (Ref. Executive Order 11990 and 40 CFR Part 6, Appendix A)		X
8	Is the antenna structure located in a residential neighborhood and required to be equipped with high intensity white lights?		
9	a.) Will the antenna structure equal or exceed total power (of all channels) of 2000 Watts ERP (3280 Watts EIRP) and have antenna located less than 10 meters above ground level?		X
	b.) Will the roof-top antenna project equal or exceed total power (of all channels) of 2000 Watts ERP (3280 Watts EIRP)?		N/A
If any of the Form 854.	Attach this Checklist to the NEPA Summary Report along with the response letter and the Informal Biological Assessment (IBA) documenting No. 3 above responses is "yes", an Environmental Assessment must be prepared and filed Construction can not start until the FCC issues a "Finding of No Significant Impact" [James R. [In-]] Signature: Date: 8-17-0	with FC (FONS)	CC
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rrinted Nan	ne and Title:James R. Kodlick, Senior Project Manager		
Company N	ame: BL Companies		

MCF Communications, Inc. FCC NEPA Summary Report

(47 CFR Subpart 1, Chapter 1, Sections 1.1301-1.1319)

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site	Site Number:	
Site Address: 12 Carpenter Road		
City: Bolton, Tolland County	State: Connecticut	

1. Is the antenna structure located in an officially designated wilderness area?

According to the National Park Service GIS Database¹, the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System², the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service³, the US Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management⁴, and the Connecticut Division of Parks and Recreation⁵, no officially designated forests, parks, grasslands, wild and scenic rivers, scenic trails, or other wilderness areas are located at or in the immediate vicinity of the action area.

- 2. Is the antenna structure located in an officially designated wildlife preserve?

 According to the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Connecticut Department of Natural Resources², no officially designated wildlife preserves are located at or in the immediate vicinity of the action area.
- 3. Will the antenna structure likely affect threatened or endangered species or designated critical habitats? (Ref. 50 CFR Part 402)

A request for a threatened and endangered species review of this project was sent to the USFWS, Connecticut Natural Heritage Program on March 16, 2006.

In correspondence dated April 19, 2006 (attached), the USFWS indicated that the Natural Heritage Database and the Landscape Project have records of rare wildlife or plant species. However, the habitat required to support such species was not observed to be located on the subject site.

In correspondence dated April 11, 2006 and March 28, 2006 (attached), the Department of Environmental Protection Natural Diversity Database has records of rare wildlife or plant species. However, the habitat required to support such species was not observed to be located on the subject site.

4. Will the antenna structure affect districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, or culture that are listed, or potentially eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)? (Ref. 36 CFR Part 800 regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act).

As part of the environmental review process for this project, a literature and records review was conducted to determine whether National Register listed or eligible historic structures or archaeological sites were located within the presumed area of potential effect (APE) for Visual effects—in this case, within a half-mile of the undertaking. Files researched in the literature and records review included the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) database and the National Register eligibility files maintained by the Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office.

This review revealed that there are no known archaeological resources or NRHP listed or eligible historic structures located within a half-mile of the undertaking. Therefore, it was determined that the proposed undertaking will have no visual effect upon historic properties.

The physical attributes of the landform, namely its slope and the lack of previously recorded proximal archaeological sites at similar landforms, suggest that the site has a low probability as a potential location for prehistoric occupation or utilization. Additionally, due to the limited nature of the undertaking, disturbance of any intact subsurface archaeological deposits in the APE for Direct Effects is also unlikely. Additional archaeological survey is not recommended.

An opinion of **no effect** upon historic properties or archaeological resources was sent to the CT SHPO on March 29, 2006. The CT SHPO responded on March 30, 2006 and concurred with this finding.

In accordance with 36 CFR 800.2 (d), 800.3 (e), and 800.3 (f)(1), consultation was initiated with the Town of Bolton and the Town of Bolton Historical Society (attached). To date, no responses have been received.

In addition, a Public Notice was advertised in the Courier Express with the 30-day public comment period ending on April 29, 2006 (attached).

5. Will the antenna structure affect Indian religious site(s)?

Tribal consultation was initiated through the FCC's electronic Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS) on March 6, 2006 and was assigned TCNS number 12944. In keeping with the Voluntary Best Practices Agreement of 2004, two tribes were notified in writing and invited to enter into consultation on March 21, 2006 (attached). The Mashantucket Pequot Tribe responded on March 31, 2006 stating they have no concerns with the project (attached). On August 16, 2006, Clough, Harbour & Associates LLP received verbal signoff from the Narragansett Indian Tribe indicating that they have no concerns with the project and provided an email confirmation of this discussion (attached).

BL Companies notified the FCC about the Tribal Consultation status and invited them to initiate government-to-government consultation. In a letter dated March 20, 2006, the FCC notified BL Companies that if no statement of interest is received from the Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma, Lower Lake Rancheria, and Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians by May 10, 2006, the tribal consultation process will be deemed complete (attached). As of May 10, 2006, no responses were received, therefore tribal consultation is completed with these tribes.

6. Will the antenna structure be located in a floodplain? (Ref. Executive Order 11988 and 40 CFR Part 6, Appendix A)

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency¹, the proposed action area is not located within the 100-year floodplain. A Federal Insurance Rate Map has been attached to serve as supporting documentation.

7. Will construction of the antenna structure involve significant change in surface features (e.g. wetlands, deforestation, or water diversion)? (Ref. Executive Order 11990 and 40 CFR Part 6, Appendix A)

According to the USFWS's National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) Mapping (attached), no inventoried wetlands are shown within the action area. State level wetland mapping was not available for Tolland County, Connecticut. The Natural Resource Conservation Service's Hydric Soil Series Lists indicates that mapped hydric soils do not exist at or in the immediate vicinity of the proposed project location. Additionally, on-site assessment of the site confirmed that hydric soils, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydrologic characteristics conducive to the formation of wetlands were not present within the action area.

Topographically, the site is relatively flat and located at an approximate average elevation of 630 feet above mean sea level. Locally, ground water in the site vicinity is expected to mimic the surrounding topography and flow to the southwest towards Porter Reservoir, which is approximately 6,500 feet from the subject site.

The action area site is located in the Newark (Hartford Basin) terrain of the New England Physiographic Province of Connecticut. According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Web Soil Survey, soils mantling the site consist of the Manchester gravelly sandy loam with 3 to 15 percent slopes. These types of soils are generally found on valley outwash plains and consist primarily of sandy and gravelly glaciofluvial deposits of basalt and sandstone.

Land use at the site currently consists of a wooded area associated with a larger property, occupied by a residence. The land use in the vicinity of the site is predominantly occupied by residential properties and transportational uses.

Based upon the nature of the undertaking, it is also believed that the action area will be subject only to the effects of the direct impacts necessary to construct and maintain the proposed project. Indirect impacts such as runoff, noise, aesthetics, and fugitive dust are temporary in nature, and should only be realized during and shortly after construction.

- 8. Is the antenna structure located in a residential neighborhood and required to be equipped with high intensity white lights?

 No.
- 9a. Will the antenna structure equal or exceed total power (of all channels) of 2000 Watts ERP (3280 EIRP) and have antenna located less than 10 meters above the ground?

 No.
- 9b. Will the rooftop antenna project equal or exceed total power (of all channels) of 2000 Watts ERP (3280 EIRP)?

 Not applicable.

Online Resources

- 1. \[\frac{1}{\thttp://www.nps.gov/gis/park \ gisdata/connecticut/ct.htm \] \[\frac{2}{\thttp://www.nps.gov/rivers/wildriverslist.html#ct \] \[\frac{3}{\thttp://www.fs.fed.us/recreation/map.shtml \] \[\frac{4}{\thttp://www.blm.gov/nhp/facts/index.htm \] \[\frac{5}{\thttp://nationalatlas.gov/natlas/natlasstart.asp \] \[\frac{6}{\thttp://www.dep.state.ct.us/rec/parks/ctforests.htm \] \[\frac{7}{\thttp://www.dep.state.ct.us/rec/parks/ctparks.htm \] \]
- 2. \frac{1}{\text{http://www.fws.gov/r5gis/images/R5.jpg}}{\frac{2}{\text{http://www.dep.state.ct.us/rec/}}}
- 3. http://www.dep.state.ct.us/cgnhs/nddb.htm
- 4. None
- 5. \frac{1}{\text{http://www.doi.gov/bia/tribes/entry.html}}{\frac{2}{\text{http://www.gdsc.bia.gov/products/images/pdf/aoeasn_us.pdf}}}{\frac{3}{\text{http://web.cast.uark.edu/other/nps/nacd/}}}
- 6. None
- 7. http://www.statlab.iastate.edu/soils/hydric/sslists.html
- 8. None
- 9a. None
- 9b. None

PART III Section 106 Consultation



March 29, 2006

Mr. David Poirier Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office Historic Preservation and Museum Division 59 South Prospect Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106

RE: Section 106 Review: Proposed Monopole Telecommunications Tower

MCF Communications. Inc. - MCF Boiton Site

12 Carpenter Road

Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut

BL Project No. 06L0825

Dear Mr. Poirier:

MCF Communications is proposing to construct a 150-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower and associated equipment within a fenced lease area at the above referenced location. In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), this project is being evaluated to consider its potential effect to districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects that are listed or are eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). In accordance with the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement (NPA) effective March 7, 2005, attached is FCC Form 620.

It is our opinion that the proposed undertaking will have no effect upon historic properties. A Section 106 Report detailing this finding is attached. We request your review and concurrence. If you require additional information, please feel free to contact me at (717) 651-9850.

Respectfully submitted.

BL Companies

James R. Kodlick

Manager, Environmental Resource Group

James R. Hoduck/pv

Enclosures

New Tower ("NT") Submission Packet

FCC FORM 620

Introduction

The NT Submission Packet is to be completed by or on behalf of Applicants to construct new antenna support structures by or for the use of licensees of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). The Packet (including Form 620 and attachments) is to be submitted to the State Historic Preservation Office ("SHPO") or to the Tribal Historic Preservation Office ("THPO"), as appropriate, before any construction or other installation activities on the site begin. Failure to provide the Submission Packet and complete the review process under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act ("NHPA")¹ prior to beginning construction may violate Section 110(k) of the NHPA and the Commission's rules.

The instructions below should be read in conjunction with, and not as a substitute for, the "Nationwide Programmatic Agreement for Review of Effects on Historic Properties for Certain Undertakings Approved by the Federal Communications Commission," dated September 2004, ("Nationwide Agreement") and the relevant rules of the FCC (47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1301-1.1319) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation ("ACHP") (36 C.F.R. Part 800).²

Exclusions and Scope of Use

The NT Submission Packet should not be submitted for undertakings that are excluded from Section 106 Review. The categories of new tower construction that are excluded from historic preservation review under Section 106 of the NHPA are described in Section III of the Nationwide Agreement.

Where an undertaking is to be completed but no submission will be made to a SHPO or THPO due to the applicability of one or more exclusions, the Applicant should retain in its files documentation of the basis for each exclusion should a question arise as to the Applicant's compliance with Section 106.

¹ 16 U.S.C. § 470f.

² Section II.A.9. of the Nationwide Agreement defines a "historic property" as: "Any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included in, or eligible for inclusion in, the National Register maintained by the Secretary of the Interior. This term includes artifacts, records, and remains that are related to and located within such properties. The term includes properties of traditional religious and cultural importance to an Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian Organization that meet the National Register criteria."

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The NT Submission Packet is to be used only for the construction of new antenna support structures. Antenna collocations that are subject to Section 106 review should be submitted using the Collocation ("CO") Submission Packet (FCC Form 621).

General Instructions: NT Submission Packet

Applicant Information

Fill out the answers to Questions 1-5 on Form 620 and provide the requested attachments. Attachments should be numbered and provided in the order described below.

For ease of processing, provide the Applicant's Name, Applicant's Project Name, and Applicant's Project Number in the lower right hand corner of each page of Form 620 and attachments.³

Full Legal Name of Applicant: MCF Communications, Inc.			
Name and Title of Contact Person: Michael McFadden			
Address of Contact Person (including Zip Code): 668 Main Street, Suite 114 Wilmington, MA 01887			
Phone: (978) 658-7360 Fax: (617) 543-7343			
E-mail address: <u>mikem@mcfcommunications.com</u>			
2. Applicant's Consultant Information			
Full Legal Name of Applicant's Section 106 Consulting Firm:			
BL Companies, Inc.			
Name of Principal Investigator: <u>James R. Kodlick</u> , RPA			
Title of Principal Investigator:Manager, Environmental Resources Group_			

³ Some attachments may contain photos or maps on which this information can not be provided.

Applicant's Name: MCF Communications, Inc.

Project Name: MCF Bolton

1.

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Investigator's Address: One South Market Square, 213 Market Street, 6th Floor				
City: <u>Harrisburg</u> State <u>Pennsylvania</u> Zip Code <u>17101</u>				
Phone: <u>717-651-9850</u> Fax: <u>717-651-9858</u>				
E-mail Address: <u>jkodlick@blcompanies.com</u>				
Does the Principal Investigator satisfy the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards? ⁴ YES / NO.				
Areas in which the Principal Investigator meets the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards: <u>Archaeology</u>				
Other "Secretary of the Interior qualified" staff who worked on the Submission Packet (provide name(s) as well as well as the area(s) in which they are qualified):				
Gretchen Yarnall, BL Companies Historic Architecture				
3. Site Information				
a. Street Address of Site: 12 Carpenter Road				
City or Township: Bolton				
County / Parish: Tolland State: CT Zip Code: 06043				
. Nearest Cross Roads: Bolton Center Road / Carpenter Road				
. NAD 83 Latitude/Longitude coordinates (to tenth of a second):				

Applicant's Name: MCF Communications, Inc.

Project Name: MCF Bolton

The Professional Qualification Standards are available on the cultural resources webpage of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior: http://www.cr.nps.gov/local-law/arch_stnds_9.htm. The Nationwide Agreement requires use of Secretary-qualified professionals for identification and evaluation of historic properties within the APE for direct effects, and for assessment of effects. The Nationwide Agreement encourages, but does not require, use of Secretary-qualified professionals to identify historic properties within the APE for indirect effects. See Nationwide Agreement, §§ VI.D.1.d, VI.D.2.b, VI.E.5.

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<u>N</u>	<u>41° 46</u>	<u>' 44.7"; W 72° 27' 55.1"</u>			
d.	d. Proposed tower height above ground level: ⁵ 150 feet; 45.7 meters				
e.	Towe	r type:			
	gu	yed lattice tower ☐ self-supporting lattice ⊠ monopole			
	☐ ot	her (briefly describe tower)			
4.	Pr	oject Status: ⁶			
a. b. c.	[] Co	onstruction not yet commenced; onstruction commenced on [date]; or, onstruction commenced on [date] and was impleted on [date]			
5.	Ар	plicant's Determination of Effect:			
a.	Direct	Effects (check one):			
	i. [x]	No Historic Properties in Area of Potential Effects ("APE") for direct effects:			
i	ii. [] iii. [] v. []	"No effect" on Historic Properties in APE for direct effects; "No adverse effect" on Historic Properties in APE for direct effects; "Adverse effect" on one or more Historic Properties in APE for direct effects.			
b. '	Visual	Effects (check one):			
	i. []	No Historic Properties in Area of Potential Effects ("APE") for visual effects;			
i ii /i	ii. [] ii. [X] v. []	"No effect" on Historic Properties in APE for visual effects; "No adverse effect" on Historic Properties in APE for visual effects; "Adverse effect" on one or more Historic Properties in APE for visual effects.			

Applicant's Name: MCF Communications, Inc.

Project Name: MCF Bolton

⁵ Include top-mounted attachments such as lightning rods.

⁶ Failure to provide the Submission Packet and complete the review process under Section 106 of the NHPA prior to beginning construction may violate Section 110(k) of the NHPA and the Commission's rules. See Section X of the Nationwide Agreement.

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Certification and Signature

I certify that all representations on this FCC Form 620 and the accompanying attachments are true, correct, and complete.

Signature

March 29, 2006 Date

Gretchen E. Yarnall Printed Name

Senior Project Manager Title

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS FORM OR ANY ATTACHMENTS ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001) AND/OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION LICENSE OR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT (U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 312(a)(1) AND/ OR FORFEITURE (U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 503).

Attachment 1. Résumés / Vitae

[The resumes of James R. Kodlick, RPA and Gretchen E. Yarnall are on file at the CT SHPO.]

ATTACHMENT 2. ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

The site is located at 12 Carpenter Road, which is approximately 800 feet southwest of the Bolton Center Road and Carpenter Road intersection in Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut. The proposed site will consist of a 70- by 70-foot fenced compound, within a 100- by 100-foot lease area, containing a 150-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower, and associated equipment. The equipment is to be located within a 15- by 15-foot lease area within the larger 10,000-square-foot lease area, which currently consists of undeveloped woodland. The compound will also include a proposed 12-foot wide by approximately 300-foot long access drive extending from an existing gravel driveway to provide access to the site.

The site is bordered by woodland, residences, and Carpenter Road to the north; woodland, Route 84, and residences to the south; woodled land, Bolton Center Road, and residences to the east; and woodland and residences to the west.

ATTACHMENT 3. TRIBAL AND NHO INVOLVEMENT

Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations (NHOs) within the undertaking's Area of Potential Effect (APE) were notified by initiating Tribal consultation through the FCC's electronic Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS)¹ on March 6, 2006 and was assigned Notification ID No. 12944.

The Narragansett Tribe responded on March 10, 2006 and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe responded on March 9, 2006, to express their desire to consult on this project.

Two follow-up letters were sent on March 21, 2006 to the tribes who declared their geographic preferences in TCNS (attached).

Federal Communications Commission (FCC) TCNS website: http://wireless.fcc.gov/outreach/notification/index.html

OF ORGANIZATION(S) WHICH WERE SENT PROPOSED TOWER CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION INFORMATION - Email ID #991

From: towernotifyinfo@fcc.gov

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2006 3:01 AM To: Braun, Olivia

Cc: kim.pristello@fcc.gov; diane.dupert@fcc.gov

Subject: NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION(S) WHICH WERE SENT PROPOSED TOWER

CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION INFORMATION - Email ID #991891

Dear Sir or Madam:

Thank you for using the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS). The purpose of this electronic mail message is to inform you that the following authorized persons were sent the information you provided through TCNS, which relates to your proposed antenna structure. The information was forwarded by the FCC to authorized TCNS users by electronic mail and/or regular mail (letter).

Persons who have received this information include leaders or their designees of Persons who have received this information include leaders or their designees of federally-recognized American Indian Tribes, including Alaska Native Villages (collectively "Tribes"), Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHOs), and State and Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs and THPOs). For your convenience in identifying the referenced Tribes and in making further contacts, the City and State of the Seat of Government for each Tribe and NHO is included in the listing below. We note that Tribes may have Section 106 cultural interests in ancestral homelands or other locations that are far removed from their current Seat of Government.

The information you provided was forwarded to the following Tribes, NHOs, SHPOs, and THPOs who have set their geographic preferences on TCNS. If the information you provided relates to a proposed antenna structure in the State of Alaska, the following list also includes Tribes located in the State of Alaska that have not specified their geographic preferences:

- 1. THPO Kathleen Knowles Mashantucket Pequot Tribe Mashantucket, CT electronic mail Exclusions: For every tower construction this Tribe requires a site location map, site plans for every project that will result in ground disturbance, and a detailed description of the proposed site. If the proposed tower construction is on an already existing building, the Tribe would like to be informed of that as well.
- 2. Deputy THPO Doug Harris Narragansett Indian Tribe Wyoming, RI electronic mail and regular mail
- 3. SHPO John Shannahan Connecticut Historical Commission Hartford, CT electronic mail
- 4. SHPO Cara Metz Massachusetts Historical Commission Boston, MA electronic mail
- 5. Deputy SHPO Brona Simon Massachusetts Historical Commission Boston, MA electronic mail
- 6. SHPO Bernadette Castro Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation Albany, NY - regular mail
- 7. Director Ruth Pierpont Bureau of Field Services, NY State Parks &* Hist. Pres. - Waterford, NY - electronic mail
- 8. SHPO Frederick Williamson Rhode Island Historic Preservation & Heritage Comm - Providence, RI - regular mail
- 9. Deputy SHPO Edward Sanderson Rhode Island Historic Preservation & Heritage Comm - Providence, RI - electronic mail

The information you provided was also forwarded to the additional Tribes and NHOs listed below. These Tribes and NHOs have NOT set their geographic preferences on TCNS, and therefore they are currently receiving tower notifications for the entire United States:

- 10. Chairman Jeff Houser Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma Apache, OK regular mail
- 11. Tribal Admistrator Butch Denny Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians Lemoore, CA regular mail
- 12. Chairman Daniel Beltran Lower Lake Rancheria Oakland, CA regular mail

"Exclusions" above refer to types of tower notifications that the Tribe, NHO, SHPO, or THPO has stated it does not wish to review. TCNS automatically forwards all notifications to all Tribes, NHOs, SHPOs, and THPOs that have an expressed interest in the geographic area of a proposal, as well as Tribes and NHOs that have not limited their geographic areas of interest. However, if a proposal falls within a designated exclusion, you need not expect any response and need not pursue any additional process with that Tribe, NHO, SHPO, or THPO.

Pursuant to the Commission's rules as set forth in the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement for Review of Effects on Historic Properties for Certain Undertakings Approved by the Federal Communications Commission (NPA), all Tribes and NHOs listed above must be afforded a reasonable opportunity to respond to this notification, unless the proposed construction falls within an exclusion designated by the Tribe or NHO. (NPA, Section IV.F.4). For those Tribes and NHOs that have specified an interest in the geographic area of a proposed construction, if the Tribe or NHO fails to respond within a reasonable time, you should make a reasonable effort at follow-up contact, unless the Tribe or NHO has agreed to different procedures (NPA, Section IV.F.5). In the event such a Tribe or NHO does not respond to a follow-up inquiry, or if a substantive or procedural disagreement arises between you and a Tribe or NHO, you must seek guidance from the Commission (NPA, Section IV.G).

For those Tribes and NHOs that have not designated their geographic areas of interest through TCNS, you are required to use reasonable and good faith efforts to determine if the Tribe or NHO may attach religious and cultural significance to historic properties that may be affected by its proposed undertaking. Such efforts may include, but are not limited to, seeking information from the relevant SHPO or THPO, Indian Tribes, state agencies, the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, or, where applicable, any federal agency with land holdings within the state (NPA, Section IV.B). If after such reasonable and good faith efforts, you determine that a Tribe or NHO may attach religious and cultural significance to historic properties in the area and the Tribe or NHO does not respond to TCNS notification within a reasonable time, you should make a reasonable effort to follow up, and must seek guidance from the Commission in the event of continued non-response or in the event of a procedural or substantive disagreement. If you determine that the Tribe or NHO is unlikely to attach religious and cultural significance to historic properties within the area, you do not need to take further action unless the Tribe or NHO indicates an interest in the proposed construction or other evidence of potential interest comes to your attention.

If you are proposing to construct a facility in the State of Alaska, you should contact Commission staff for guidance regarding your obligations in the event that Tribes do not respond to this notification within a reasonable time.

Please be advised that the FCC cannot guarantee that the contact(s) listed above opened and reviewed an electronic or regular mail notification. The following Page 2

OF ORGANIZATION(S) WHICH WERE SENT PROPOSED TOWER CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION INFORMATION - Email ID #991 information relating to the proposed tower was forwarded to the person(s) listed above:

Notification Received: 03/06/2006

Notification ID: 12944

Entity Name: MCF Communications, Inc. Individual or Contact Name: Olivia Braun

Street Address: One South Market Square 213 Market Street, 6th Floor

City: Harrisburg State: PENNSYLVANIA Zip Code: 17101 Phone: 717-651-9850 Email: obraun@blcompanies.com

Structure Type: POLE - Any type of Pole Latitude: 41 deg 46 min 44.7 sec N Longitude: 72 deg 27 min 55.1 sec W Location Description: 12 Carpenter Road

City: Bolton State: CONNECTICUT

County: TOLLAND

Ground Elevation: 189.0 meters

Support Structure: 45.7 meters above ground level Overall Structure: 45.7 meters above ground level Overall Height AMSL: 234.7 meters above mean sea level

If you have any questions or comments regarding this notice, please contact the FCC using the electronic mail form located on the FCC's website at:

http://wireless.fcc.gov/outreach/notification/contact-fcc.html.

If you prefer, you may contact the FCC's Universal Licensing System (ULS) hotline by telephone at (717) 338-2888, or toll free at (877) 480-3201. When prompted by the FCC operator, please select Option #2.

Thank you. Federal Communications Commission Narragansett Tribe request to consult.txt

From: towernotifyinfo@fcc.gov

Sent: Friday, March 10, 2006 3:40 PM

To: Braun, Ólivia

Cc: towernotifyinfo@fcc.gov; sequahna@yahoo.com

Subject: Reply to Proposed Tower Structure (Notification ID #12944)

Dear Olivia Braun,

Thank you for using the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS). The purpose of this email is to inform you that an authorized user of the TCNS has replied to a proposed tower construction notification that you had submitted through the TCNS.

The following message has been sent to you from Deputy THPO, Doug Harris in reference to Notification ID #12944:

On behalf of the Narragansett Indian Tribe, the Narragansett Indian Tribal Historic Preservation Office is hereby formally initiating consultation and review of cell tower site designated by TCNS # 12944, located in Bolton, CT. Follow-up on behalf of the cell tower carrier should be initiated by contacting Sequahna Mars, at sequahna@hotmail.com, or 401-793-0006, or Doug Harris, at 401-742-4035, or dh@nithpo.com. Thank you.

For your convenience, the information you submitted for this notification is detailed below.

Notification Received: 03/06/2006

Notification ID: 12944

Entity Name: MCF Communications, Inc.

Individual or Contact Name: Olivia Braun

Street Address: One South Market Square 213 Market Street, 6th Floor

City: Harrisburg State: PENNSYLVANIA Zip Code: 17101 Phone: 717-651-9850

Email: obraun@blcompanies.com

Structure Type: POLE - Any type of Pole Latitude: 41 deg 46 min 44.7 sec N Longitude: 72 deg 27 min 55.1 sec W Location Description: 12 Carpenter Road

City: Bolton State: CONNECTICUT County: TOLLAND

Ground Elevation: 189.0 meters

Support Structure: 45.7 meters above ground level Overall Structure: 45.7 meters above ground level Overall Height AMSL: 234.7 meters above mean sea level Reply to Proposed Tower Structure (Notification ID #12944).txt

From: towernotifyinfo@fcc.gov

Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2006 12:59 PM

To: Braun, Olivia

Cc: towernotifyinfo@fcc.gov; KKnowles@mptn-nsn.gov

Subject: Reply to Proposed Tower Structure (Notification ID #12944)

Dear Olivia Braun.

Thank you for using the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS). The purpose of this email is to inform you that an authorized user of the TCNS has replied to a proposed tower construction notification that you had submitted through the TCNS.

The following message has been sent to you from THPO, Kathleen Knowles in reference to Notification ID #12944:

Dear Ms. Braun Regarding Notification ID # 12944, please send requested attachments, and will this project result in ground disturbance ? Kathleen Knowles, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Mashantucket Pequot Tribe

For your convenience, the information you submitted for this notification is detailed below.

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March 21, 2006

Kathleen Knowles, THPO Mashantucket Pequot Tribe

RE: Invitation to Comment Under Section 106

Proposed Telecommunications Tower MCF Communications (MCF Bolton Site)

12 Carpenter Road

Bolton Township, Tolland County, Connecticut

BL Project No. 06L0825

Dear Ms. Knowles:

BL Companies has been retained by MCF Communications to prepare a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) study for a proposed telecommunications tower site known as the MCF Bolton Site. BL Companies is submitting this correspondence as follow-up to the Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS) filing No. 12944 submitted to you on March 6, 2006 requesting whether you have any interest in consulting on this project.

MCF Communications is proposing to construct a 70- by 70-foot fenced compound, within a 100- by 100-foot lease area, containing a 150-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower, and associated equipment. The equipment is to be located within a 15- by 15-foot lease area within the larger 10,000-square-foot lease area, which currently consists of undeveloped woodland. The compound will also include a proposed 12-foot wide by approximately 300-foot long access drive extending from an existing gravel driveway to provide access to the site. A USGS topographical map is attached for your reference.

Please respond by April 5, 2006 with an opinion of interest or no interest.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. If you have any questions I can be reached at (717) 651-9850, ext. 223.

Respectfully.

James Kodlick

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Manager, Natural Resources Group

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Ms Olivia Braun,
Project Scientist
BL Companies
One South Market Square
213 Market Street, 6th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: Preliminary Archaeological Assessment of Telecommunications Tower - Located 12 Carpenter Road, Bolton, Connecticut TCNS Notification ID # 12944

Dear Ms Braun,

I have reviewed the Preliminary Archaeological Assessment entitled "Preliminary Archaeological Assessment of Telecommunications Tower - Located 12 Carpenter Road, Bolton, Connecticut" submitted by BL Companies.

The research design and testing strategy meets acceptable professional standards, and agree with the recommendations and conclusions. Please keep me informed of any further developments with respect to this project.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Knowles,

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

Kathleen Knowles

Mashantucket Pequot Tribe



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March 21, 2006

Doug Harris, Deputy THPO Narragansett Indian Tribe

RE: Invitation to Comment Under Section 106

Proposed Telecommunications Tower MCF Communications (MCF Bolton Site)

12 Carpenter Road

Bolton Township, Tolland County, Connecticut

BL Project No. 06L0825

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Manager, Natural Resources Group

Enclosure

Frazer, Nicole

From: Frazer, Nicole

Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2006 2:50 PM

To: 'brwnjbb123@aol.com'

Cc: Frazer, Nicole; Braun, Olivia

Subject: Bolton Ct. TCNS 12944

Mr. John Brown,

As per our conversation this afternoon, it is my understanding that you have no further comment on the proposed Bolton CT Communications Facility. You have indicated that your review is complete due to the amount of time that has passed and due to the fact that FCC Form 620 for Section 106 review has been submitted to SHPO and SHPO signoff has been received. However, you have also indicated that should any items of religious or cultural significance be found during construction, that you be notified to monitor construction.

If I have misunderstood any of our conversation please e-mail me to clarify. Otherwise, I will inform our client that they can move forward with their project.

Thank you for your time.

Thanks,

Nicole E. Frazer
Environmental Scientist III
Clough Harbour & Associates LLP
E-mail: nfrazer@cha-llp.com
www.cloughharbour.com

Frazer, Nicole

From: BrwnJbb123@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2006 5:03 PM

To: Frazer, Nicole

Subject: Re: Bolton Ct. TCNS 12944

Your email is essentially correct. Good Luck on your project.

Sincerely,

John Brown, Narragansett Indian Tribal Historic Preservation Officer





Federal Communications Commission Washington DC 20554

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Proposed Construction of Communications Facilities Notification of Final Contacts

MCF COMMUNICATIONS, INC. OLIVIA BRAUN ONE SOUTH MARKET SQUARE 213 MARKET STREET, 6TH FLOOR HARRISBURG, PA 17101

Date: 04/20/2006 Reference Number: 0497883

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Dear Applicant:

This letter addresses the proposed communications facilities listed below that you have referred to the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) for purposes of contacting federally recognized Indian Tribes, including Alaska Native Villages (collectively Indian Tribes), and Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHOs), as specified by Section IV.G of the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement (NPA). Consistent with the procedures outlined in the Commission's recent Declaratory Ruling, we have contacted the Indian Tribes or NHOs identified in the attached Table for the projects listed in the attached Table. You referred these projects to us between 04/14/2006 and 04/20/2006. Our contact with these Indian Tribes or NHOs was sent on 04/20/2006.

Thus, as described in the Declaratory Ruling,² if you or Commission staff do not receive a statement of interest regarding a particular project from any Tribe or NHO within 20 calendar days of 04/20/2006, your obligations under Section IV of the NPA with respect to these Indian Tribes or NHOs are complete.³ If an Indian Tribe or NHO responds that it is interested in participating within the 20 calendar day period, the Applicant must involve it in the review as set forth in the NPA, and may not begin construction until the process set forth in the NPA is completed.

You are reminded that Section IX of the NPA imposes independent obligations on an Applicant when a previously unidentified site that may be a historic property, including an archeological property, is discovered during construction or after the completion of review. In such instances, the Applicant must cease construction and promptly notify, among others, any potentially affected Indian Tribe or NHO. An Indian Tribe's or NHO's failure to express interest in participating in pre-construction review of an undertaking does not necessarily mean it is not interested in archeological properties or human remains that may inadvertently be discovered during construction. Hence, an Applicant is still required to notify

¹ See Clarification of Procedures for Participation of Federally Recognized Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian Organizations Under the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement, Declaratory Ruling, FCC 05-176 (released October 6, 2005) (Declaratory Ruling).

² Id § 8-10.

We note that, under the Declaratory Ruling, an expression of interest by an Indian Tribe or NHO addressed solely to the Commission staff during the 20-day period is sufficient even if it does not contact the Applicant.

⁴ Id at § 11.

Letter to MCF Communications, Inc. 04/20/2006 Page 2

any potentially affected Indian Tribe or NHO of any such finds pursuant to Section IX or other applicable law.

Sincerely,

Dan Abeyta Assistant Chief Spectrum and Competition Policy Division Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

LIST OF PROPOSED COMMUNICATIONS TOWERS

TCNS#: 12944 Referred Date: 04/18/2006 Location: 12 Carpenter Road, Bolton, CT

Tribe Name: Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma

Tribe Name: Lower Lake Rancheria

Tribe Name: Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians

LEGEND:

* - Notification numbers are assigned by the Commission staff for sites where initial contact was not made through TCNS.

ATTACHMENT 4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

In accordance with 36 CFR 800.2 (d), 800.3 (e), and 800.3 (f)(1), we have initiated consultation with the Town of Bolton to give them the opportunity to participate in the review of this undertaking (attached). To date, no comments have been received.



CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 29, 2006

Ms. Joyce Stille Township Administrator Town of Bolton 222 Bolton Center Road Bolton, Connecticut 06043

RE:

Invitation to Comment Under Section 106: Proposed Monopole Telecommunications Tower

MCF Communications, Inc. - MCF Bolton Site

12 Carpenter Road

Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut

BL Project No. 05L0825

Dear Ms. Stille:

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MCF Communications is proposing to construct a 70- by 70-foot fenced compound, within a 100-foot by 100-foot lease area, containing a 150-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower, and associated equipment which is to be located within a 15-foot by 15-foot lease area. The proposed site will be situated within an approximately 10,000-square-foot lease area, which currently consists of undeveloped woodland. The compound will also include a proposed 12-foot wide by approximately 300-foot long access drive extending from an existing gravel driveway to provide access to the site.

In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), this project is being evaluated to consider its potential effect on districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects that are listed in or are eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Based on the research conducted, it is our opinion that the project as proposed will have no adverse effect on historic properties.

If you have any comments, we would appreciate receiving them within 30 calendar days. If you have any questions, or need any further assistance or information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (717) 651-9850, ext. 223.

Respectfully. hames R. Hodlick/jv

James R. Kodlick

Manager, Environmental Resources Group

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United States Postal Service

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION	COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY	
Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired. Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you. Attach this card to the back of the maliplece, or on the front if space permits. 1. Article Addressed to: Ms. Joyce Stille	A. Signature X. Addressea B. Received by (Printed Name Addressea D. Is delivery address different from Item 1? Yes If YES, enter delivery address below: No	
Township Administrator Town of Bolton		
222 Bolton Center Road	3. Service Type	
Bolton, CT 06043	Certified Mall	
	4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee)	
2. Article Number 7004 2890 C	1004 1230 6152	

ATTACHMENT 5. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The public has been given the opportunity to comment on this undertaking through a public notice placed in the Hartford Courant describing the proposed project with a 30-day comment period ending on Saturday April 29, 2006. No comment has been received to date.

MCF Communications is proposing to construct a 70- by 70-foot fenced compound, within a 100- by 100-foot lease area, containing a 150-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower, and associated equipment which is to be located within a 15- by 15-foot lease area at 12 Carpenter Road, Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut. The proposed site will be situated within an approximately 10,000-square-foot lease area, which currently consists of undeveloped woodland. The compound will also include a proposed 12-foot wide by approximately 300-foot long access drive extending from an existing gravel driveway to provide access to the site. MCF Communications invites comments from all interested persons regarding the likelihood that the proposed construction would adversely affect historic properties. All questions, comments, and correspondence should be directed to Ms. Nicole Frazer at (518) 453-8211 or nfrazer@cha-llp.com by Saturday April 29, 2006.



Affidavit of Publication

State of Connecticut

Monday, April 03, 2006

Financial Operations Assistant

Notary Public

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Joy Shroyer

County of Hartford

I, Joy Shroyer, do solemnly swear that I am Financial Operations Assistant of the Hartford Courant, printed and published daily, in the state of Connecticut and that from my own personal knowledge and reference to the files of said publication the advertisement of Public Notice was inserted in the regular edition.

On dates as follows: 03/31/2006

In the amount of \$52.12 BL COMPANIES 020906 ZONE 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ATTACHMENT 6. ADDITIONAL CONSULTING PARTIES

An invitation to comment was sent to the Town of Bolton Historical Society to give them the opportunity to participate in the review of the proposed undertaking (attached). To date, no responses have been received.



CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 29, 2006

Town of Bolton Historical Society 15 Hebron Road Bolton, Connecticut 06040

RE:

Invitation to Comment Under Section 106: Proposed Monopole Telecommunications Tower

MCF Communications, Inc. - MCF Bolton Site

12 Carpenter Road

Bolton, Tolland County, Connecticut

BL Project No. 05L0825

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Respectfully,

James R. Kodlick

Manger, Environmental Resource Group

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ATTACHMENT 7. AREAS OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS

<u>APE for Direct Effects</u> – The Area of Potential Effect (APE) for Direct Effects, as described in the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement, effective March 7, 2005, is limited to the area of potential ground disturbance and property, or portion thereof, that will be destroyed or altered during the construction of the proposed undertaking. For this undertaking the APE for direct effects is the area of the proposed compound and proposed access drive.

APE for Visual Effects – The APE for Visual Effects, as described in the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement, effective March 7, 2005, is the geographic area in which the proposed has the potential to introduce visual elements that diminish or alter the setting, including the landscape, where the setting is a character-defining feature of a historic property that makes it eligible for the National Register.

The Nationwide Programmatic Agreement describes the following APEs:

For new towers 200 feet or less in overall height – ½ mile APE
For new towers greater than 200 feet to 400 feet in overall height – ¾ mile APE
For new towers greater than 400 feet in overall height – 1 ½ mile APE

For this undertaking, a proposed 150-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower, the APE for visual effects is a half-mile from the proposed tower site.

ATTACHMENT 8. HISTORIC PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED IN THE APE FOR VISUAL EFFECTS

In accordance with the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement, effective March 7, 2005, historic properties reviewed were limited to the following criteria:

(a) Properties listed on the National Register;

(b) Properties formally determined eligible for listing by the Keeper of the National Register;

(c) Properties that the SHPO/THPO certifies are in the process of being nominated to the National Register;

(d) Properties previously determined eligible as part of a consensus determination of eligibility between the SHPO/THPO and a Federal Agency or local agency representing HUD; and

(e) Properties listed in the SHPO/THPO inventory that the SHPO/THPO has previously evaluated, found to meet the National Register criteria, and are identified accordingly in the SHPO/THPO inventory.

A historic properties search was conducted for all sites within the APE that satisfy the above criteria. Files researched in the literature and records review included the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) database² and the National Register eligibility files maintained by the Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office (CT SHPO)³.

This review revealed that there are no properties that satisfy the above criteria located within a half-mile of the proposed undertaking. However, the file review identified four surveyed properties (residences) that lie to the south of the site along Bolton Center Road. Although the 2005 NPA does not require that surveyed properties be considered in the Section 106 process, we included photographs of these properties for your use.

In addition, no other historical resources were identified through any comments received by Indian Tribes, NHO's, local governments, or members of the public.

² National Park Service, National Register Information System, http://www.cr.nps.gov/nr/research/nris.htm ³ Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office, <u>National Register listed and eligible property files</u>, (Hartford, CT).

ATTACHMENT 9. HISTORIC PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED IN THE APE FOR DIRECT EFFECTS

The archaeological sensitivity study was completed to assess potential direct effects for this facility. No historical properties have been identified within the area of potential effects for direct effects. The APE for the review of direct effects included all areas of ground disturbance. It is unlikely that the proposed telecommunications facility will have a direct effect on historical properties.

Archival research was conducted to collect information regarding known archaeological resources within the study area. A literature and records review was conducted to determine whether known archaeological sites were located within a half-mile of the proposed undertaking. Files researched in the literature and records review included the NRHP database and the National Register eligibility files maintained by the CT SHPO. This review revealed that there were no previously recorded archaeological sites located within a half-mile of the undertaking.

The history of the site has been reconstructed from the review of historical topographic maps and aerial photographs. According to these sources, the site has been undeveloped wooded land since at least 1892. The subject site remained relatively unchanged through 1967 and continued this land use to 1984. The site remained relatively unchanged through the site visit date of March 14, 2006, when it was confirmed that the proposed site remains undeveloped, wooded land.

The site has been bordered primarily by undeveloped lands since at least 1892, with the exception of Bolton Notch to the northeast. Land use to the north, south, east, and west of the site has included undeveloped wooded land until sometime prior to 1967. In 1967, residences were present to the north and west of the subject site, while wooded land remained to the south and Bolton Center Road was constructed to the west. By 1984, Route 84 had been constructed to the south of the subject site, and the areas to the north, east, and west remained relatively unchanged. As of the site visit date, the site is bordered by woodland, residences, and Carpenter Road to the north; woodland, Route 84, and residences to the south; wooded land, Bolton Center Road, and residences to the east; and woodland and residences to the west.

Geologically, Iapetos (Oceanic) terrane of the New England Physiographic Province of Connecticut and is underlain by Middle to Early Paleozoic-aged gneiss, schist, and quartzite. According to the *Natural Resource Conservation Service Web Soil Survey for Tolland County, Connecticut*, the soils mantling the site consist of the Manchester gravelly sandy silt loam, with 3 to 15 percent slopes. Generally, the surface layer of the Manchester soil consists of a gravelly sandy loam to about 9 inches, which is derived from basalt and sandstone and is found on valley outwash plains.

Topographically, the site is situated on an undeveloped wooded area at an average elevation of approximately 540 feet above mean sea level. Locally, ground water in the site vicinity is expected to mimic topography and flow southwest towards an unnamed tributary, which extends to Porter Reservoir, which is located approximately 4,500 feet away.

The physical attributes of the landform, namely its slope and the lack of previously recorded proximal archaeological sites at similar landforms, suggest that the site has a low probability as a potential location for prehistoric occupation or utilization. Additionally, due to the limited nature of the undertaking, disturbance of any intact subsurface archaeological deposits in the APE for Direct Effects is also unlikely. Additional archaeological survey is not recommended.

ATTACHMENT 10. EFFECTS ON IDENTIFIED PROPERTIES

No historical properties within the APE for direct effects have been identified during this review; therefore, the proposed undertaking will have **no direct effects on historical properties.**

No historical properties within the APE for visual effects have been identified during this review; therefore, the proposed undertaking will have no visual effects on historical properties.

BL Companies appreciates this opportunity to submit this Section 106 report for your review. Please review the enclosed information and respond within thirty (30) days.

Gretchen E. Yarnall

SIPQS Qualified Historian

Attachment 11. Photographs

Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

Project Number:
BL Project No. 06L0825

Date Photographs Taken:
March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

West

Photo: 1

View of the proposed location of the 150-foot

monopole

telecommunications

tower.



VIEW DIRECTION:

North

Photo: 2

View facing north from the proposed monopole tower location.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Project Number: Date Photographs Taken:

BL Project No. 06L0825

March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

South

Photo: 3

View facing south from the proposed monopole tower location.



VIEW DIRECTION:

East

Photo: 4

View facing east from the proposed monopole tower location.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

Project Number:
BL Project No. 06L0825

Date Photographs Taken:
March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

West

Photo: 5

View facing west from the proposed monopole tower location.



VIEW DIRECTION:

Southeast

Photo: 6

View towards the proposed tower location from the intersection of Hillcrest Road and Carpenter Road.

From this location, due to topography, the tower would be visible.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

Project Number:

BL Project No. 06L0825

March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

South

Photo: 7

View toward the proposed tower location from Hillcrest Road.

From this location, due to topography, the tower will be visible.



VIEW DIRECTION:

Southwest

Photo:8

View facing southwest towards the proposed tower location from the intersection of Williams Road and Route 6.

Due to topography, mature tree cover and intervening distance, the tower would not be visible.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Project Number: Date Photographs Taken:
BL Project No. 06L0825 March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

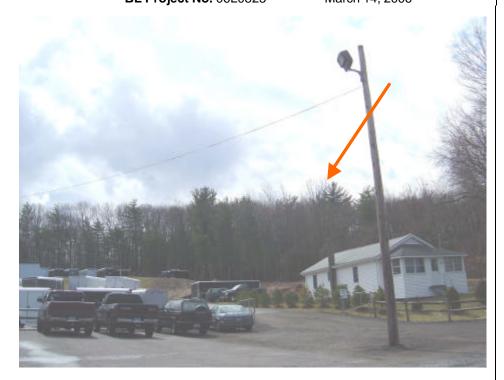
Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

South

Photo:9

View facing south towards the proposed tower location.

Due to topography, the tower would be visible from this location.



VIEW DIRECTION:

Southwest

Photo: 10

View facing southwest from the intersection of Bolton Center Road and Williams Road.

From this location, the tower would be visible.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

Project Number:
BL Project No. 06L0825

Date Photographs Taken:
March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

Southwest

Photo: 11

View of a surveyed historic property located along Bolton Center

Road.



VIEW DIRECTION:

Northwest

Photo: 12

View from the above surveyed historic property towards the proposed tower location.

Due to mature tree cover, intervening distance and topography, the tower would not be visible from this location.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

Project Number:
BL Project No. 06L0825

March 14, 2006

March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

East

Photo: 13

View of another surveyed historic property located along Bolton Center Road.



VIEW DIRECTION:

East

Photo: 14
View of the above
property located along
Bolton Center Road.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

Project Number:
BL Project No. 06L0825

Date Photographs Taken:
March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

West

Photo: 15

View from the surveyed historic property towards the proposed tower location.

Due to mature tree cover, intervening distance and topography, the tower would not be visible from this location.



VIEW DIRECTION:

West

Photo: 16

View of another surveyed historic property located along Bolton Center Road.



Client: MCF Communications Site Location: Tolland County, Connecticut

Site Name: MCF Bolton Site

Project Number:
BL Project No. 06L0825

Date Photographs Taken:
March 14, 2006

VIEW DIRECTION:

North

Photo: 17
View toward the proposed tower location.
The tower would be visible from this location.



VIEW DIRECTION:

East

Photo: 18

View of another surveyed historic property located along Bolton Center Road.

Access to the property was restricted during the site visit.



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March 14, 2006

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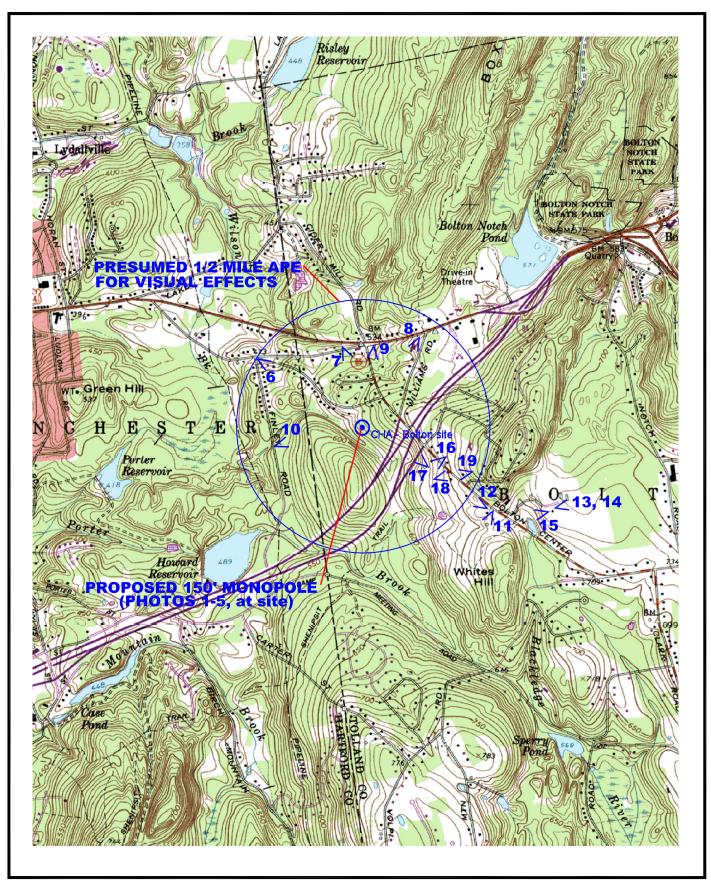
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North

Photo: 19
View toward the proposed tower location.
The tower would be visible from this location.



Attachment 12. Maps

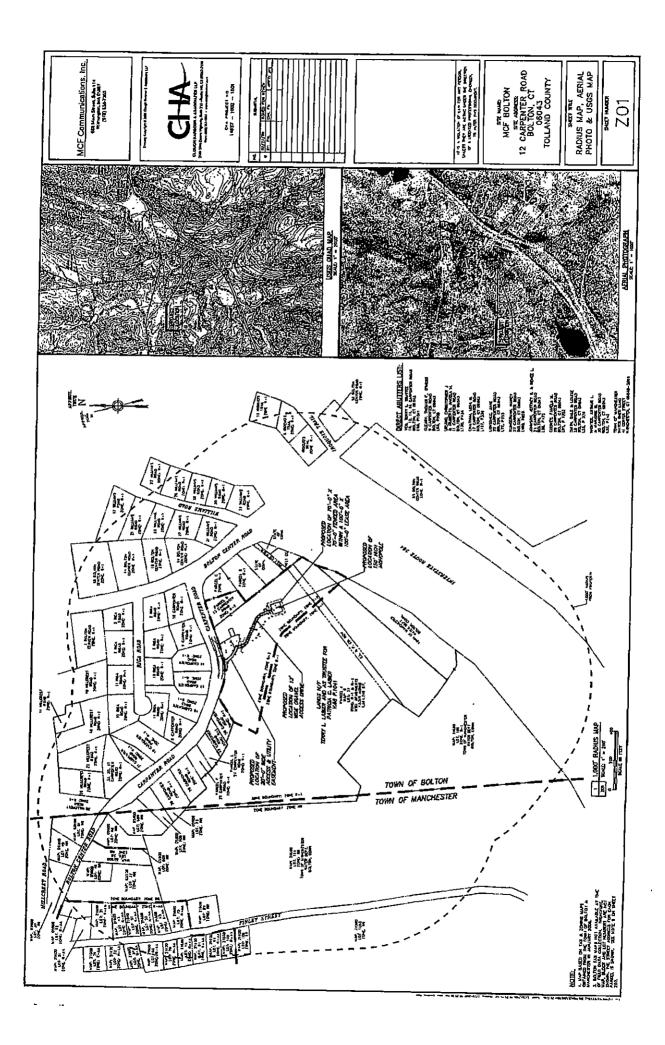


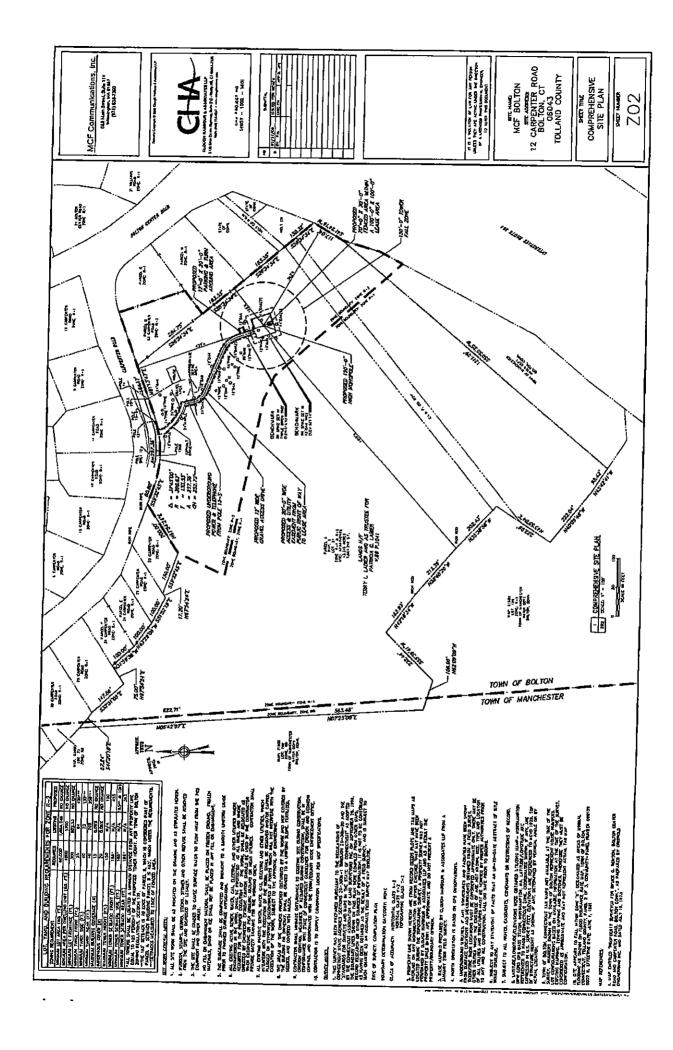


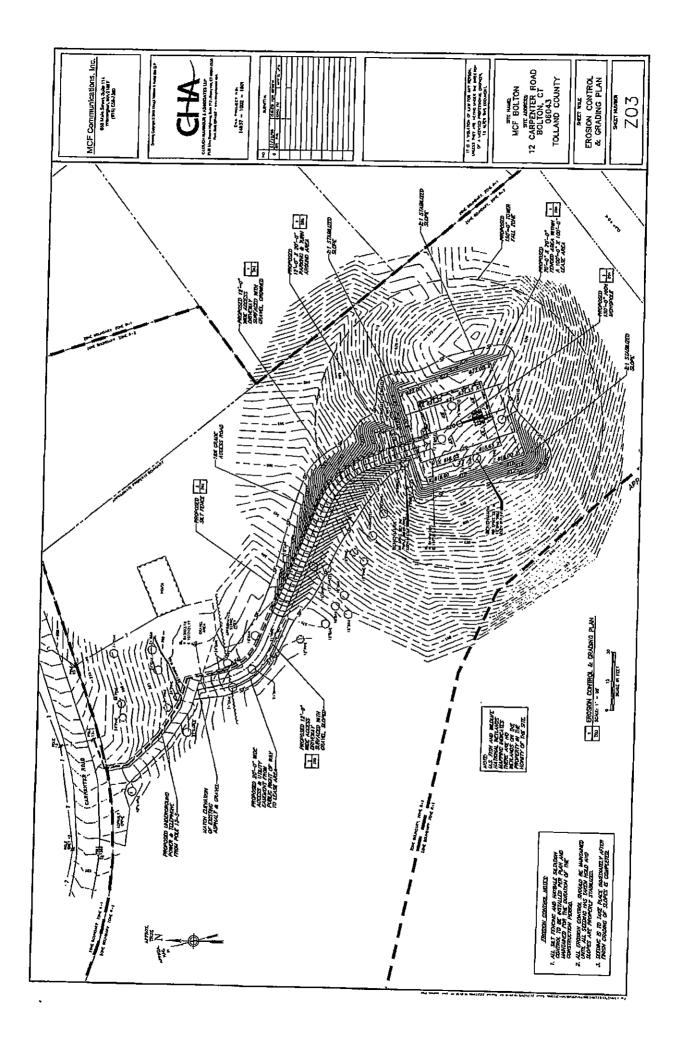
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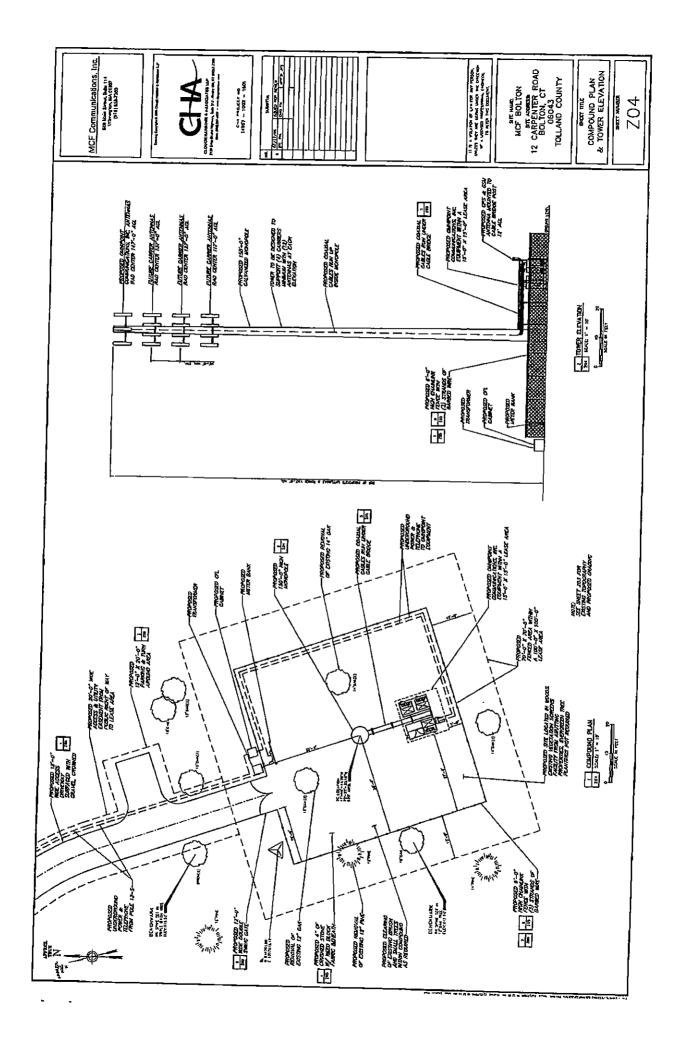
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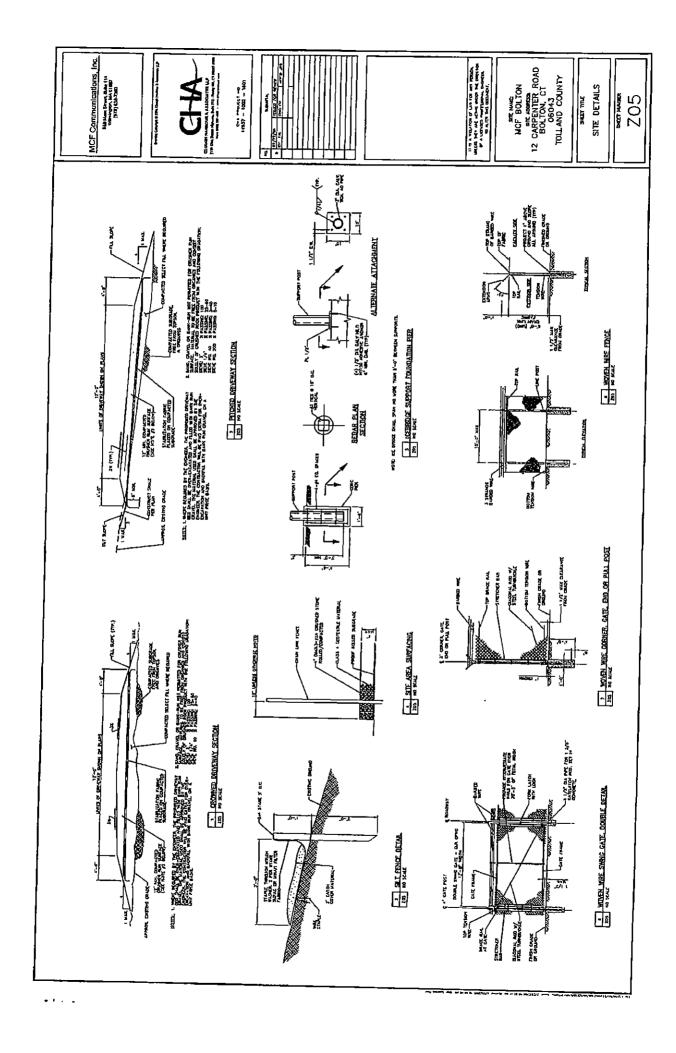
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March 30, 2006

Historic Preservation & Museum Division

Mr. James R. Kodlick BL Companies One South Market Square 213 Market Street, 6th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

59 South Prospect Street Hartford, Connecticut 06106

(v) 860,566,3005

(f) 860.566.5078

Subject:

Telecommunications Facilities

12 Carpenter Road

Bolton, CT

BL Project #06L0825

Dear Mr. Kodlick:

The State Historic Preservation Office has reviewed the above-named project. This office expects that the proposed undertaking will have <u>no effect</u> on historic, architectural, or archaeological resources listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

This office appreciates the opportunity to have reviewed and commented upon the proposed undertaking.

This comment is provided in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act and the Connecticut Environmental Policy Act.

For further information please contact Dr. David A. Poirier, Staff Archaeologist.

J. Paul Loether

Sincerely.

Division Director and Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

PART IV Natural Resources



CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

March 17, 2006

Mr. Marvin Morjarty United States Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Director 300 Westgate Center Drive Hadley, Massachusetts 01035

RE: T&E Species Review

> MCF Bolton Site 12 Carpenter Road

Tolland County, Connecticut BL Project No. 06L0825

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Mr. Marvin Moriarty United States Fish and Wildlife Service BL Project No. 06L0825 March 17, 2006 Page 2 of 2

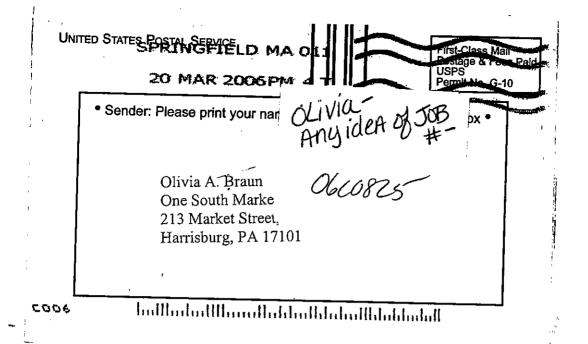
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BL Companies

Olivia A. Braun Project Scientist

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April 19, 2006

Reference:

Project Tower Location

Bolton, CT, BL Project # 06L0825

Olivia Braun BL Companies One South Market Square 213 Market St., 6th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Ms. Braun:

This responds to your recent correspondence requesting information on the presence of federally-listed and/or proposed endangered or threatened species in relation to the proposed activity(ies) referenced above.

Based on information currently available to us, no federally-listed or proposed, threatened or endangered species or critical habitat under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are known to occur in the project area(s). Preparation of a Biological Assessment or further consultation with us under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act is not required.

This concludes our review of listed species and critical habitat in the project location(s) and environs referenced above. No further Endangered Species Act coordination of this type is necessary for a period of one year from the date of this letter, unless additional information on listed or proposed species becomes available.

Thank you for your coordination. Please contact us at 603-223-2541 if we can be of further assistance. In the future, in order to expedite your reply, please direct any inquiries of this nature to this office at the above address.

Sincerely yours,

Michael J. Amaral Endangered Species Specialist

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March 17, 2006

Connecticut Bureau of Natural Resources Wildlife Division Main Office 79 Elm Street Hartford. CT 06106-5127

RE: T&E Species Review

MCF Bolton Site 12 Carpenter Road

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Natural Diversity Data Base

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March 28, 2006

Ms. Olivia A. Braun BL Companies One South Market Square 213 Market Street, 6th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

> re: Telecommunication Facility for MCF Bolton Site at 12 Carpenter Road in Bolton, Connecticut

Dear Ms. Braun:

I have reviewed Natural Diversity Data Base maps and files regarding the area delineated on the map you provided for the proposed telecommunication facility for MCF Bolton Site at 12 Carpenter Road in Bolton, Connecticut. According to our information, there are records for State Special Concern Glyptemys [=Clemmys] insculpta (wood turtle) from the vicinity of this project site. I have sent your letter to Julie Victoria (DEP-Wildlife; 860-642-7239) for further review. She will write to you directly with her comments.

Natural Diversity Data Base information includes all information regarding critical biological resources available to us at the time of the request. This information is a compilation of data collected over the years by the Natural Resources Center's Geological and Natural History Survey and cooperating units of DEP, private conservation groups and the scientific community. This information is not necessarily the result of comprehensive or site-specific field investigations. Consultations with the Data Base should not be substitutes for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments. Current research projects and new contributors continue to identify additional populations of species and locations of habitats of concern, as well as, enhance existing data. Such new information is incorporated into the Data Base as it becomes available.

Please contact me if you have further questions at 424-3592. Thank you for consulting the Natural Diversity Data Base. Also be advised that this is a preliminary review and not a final determination. A more detailed review may be conducted as part of any subsequent environmental permit applications submitted to DEP for the proposed site.

Sincerely,

Biologist/Environmental Analyst

Cc: Julie Victoria, NDDB # 14458



STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



April 11, 2006

Ms. Olivia A. Braun BL Companies One South Market Square 213 Market Street, 6th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

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re: Telecommunication facility, MCF Bolton Site, 12 Carpenter Road, Bolton, CT

Dear Ms. Braun:

Your request was forwarded to me on 3/30/06 from Dawn McKay of the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Natural Diversity Data Base. Their records indicate that a Species of Special Concern, Wood Turtle (*Glyptemys insculpta*) occurs in the vicinity of your project.

Wood turtles require riparian habitats bordered by flood plains, woodlands or meadows. Their summer terrestrial habitat includes pastures, old fields, woodlands, power line cuts and railroad beds bordering or adjacent to streams and rivers. Their hibernating habitat includes tree-lined rivers with undercut banks and muddy bottoms. They hibernate submerged in tangled tree roots or in deep pools from November 1 to April 1.

If Wood turtle habitat exists on the proposed site, the Wildlife Division recommends that a herpetologist familiar with the habitat requirements of this species conduct surveys between April and September to see if they are present. A report summarizing the results of such surveys should include habitat descriptions, reptile species list and a statement/resume giving the herpetologist' qualifications. The DEP doesn't maintain a list of qualified herpetologists. A DEP Wildlife Division permit may be required by the herpetologist to conduct survey work, you should ask if your herpetologist has one. The results of this investigation can be forwarded to the Wildlife Division and, after evaluation, recommendations for additional surveys, if any, will be made.

Please be advised that the Wildlife Division has not made a field inspection of the project nor have we seen detailed timetables for work to be done. Should state permits be required or should state involvement occur in some other fashion, specific restrictions or conditions relating to the species discussed above may apply. In this situation, additional evaluation of the proposal by the DEP Wildlife Division should be requested.

Consultation with the Wildlife Division should not be substituted for site-specific surveys that may be required for environmental assessments. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me (860-642-7239). Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Julie Victoria, Wildlife Biologist

Franklin Swamp Wildlife Management Area

391 Route 32

Sincerely.

N. Franklin, CT 06254

cc: D. McKay - 14458

